

May 29, 1996, which revised the Class E airspace area at Pittsfield, MA (PSF) to provide for adequate controlled airspace for those aircraft using the GPS RWY 8 Instrument Approach Procedure to Pittsfield Municipal Airport.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The rule published at 61 FR 26781 is effective on 0901 UTC, August 15, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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The FAA published a direct final rule with a request for comments in the Federal Register on May 29, 1996 (61 FR 26781). The FAA uses the direct final rulemaking procedure for a non-controversial rule where the FAA believes that there will be no adverse public comment. The direct final rule advised the public that no adverse comments were anticipated, and that unless a written adverse comment, or a written notice of intent to submit such an adverse comment, were received within the comment period, the regulation would become effective on August 15, 1996. No adverse comments were received, and thus this document confirms that the final rule will become effective on that date.

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14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 96-AGL-6]

Revision of Class E Airspace; La Porte, IN

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action revises Class E airspace at La Porte Municipal Airport, La Porte, IN, to accommodate a localizer (LOC) Instrument Approach Procedure to Runway 2. Controlled airspace extending upward from 700 to 1200 feet above ground level (AGL) is needed to contain aircraft executing the approach. The intended affect of this action is to provide segregation of aircraft using instrument approach procedures in instrument conditions from other aircraft operating in visual weather conditions.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC, October 10, 1996.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

On Thursday, May 2, 1996, the FAA proposed to amend part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) to accommodate a localizer (LOC) Instrument Approach Procedure to Runway 2, La Porte Municipal Airport, La Porte, IN (61 FR 19591). The proposal was to add controlled airspace extending upward from 700 to 1200 feet AGL to contain Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations in controlled airspace during portions of the terminal operation and while transiting between the enroute and terminal environments.

Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking proceeding by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No comments objecting to the proposal were received. Class E airspace designations for areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9C dated August 17, 1995, and effective September 16, 1995, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designation listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

The Rule

This amendment to part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) revises Class E airspace at La Porte Municipal Airport, La Porte, IN, to accommodate a localizer (LOC) Instrument Approach Procedure to Runway 2. Controlled airspace extending upward from 700 to 1200 feet AGL is needed to contain aircraft executing the approach. The area will be depicted on appropriate aeronautical charts thereby enabling pilots to circumnavigate the area or otherwise comply with IFR procedures.

The FAA has determined that this regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. Therefore, this regulation—(1) is not a “significant regulating action” under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a “significant rule” under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3)

does not warrant preparation of a Regulatory Evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. Since this is a routine matter that will only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

Adoption of the Amendment

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration amends 14 CFR part 71 as follows:

PART 71—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for 14 part 71 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959-1963 Comp., p. 389; 14 CFR 11.69.

§ 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of the Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9C, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 17, 1995, and effective September 16, 1995, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6005 Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth.

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AGL IN E5 La Porte, IN [Revised]

La Port Municipal Airport, IN
(lat. 41°34'22" N., long. 86°44'03"W.)

La Porte NDB
(lat. 41°29'56"N., long. 86°46'17"W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 7.3-mile radius of the La Porte Municipal Airport and within 2.5 miles each side of the 201° bearing from the La Porte NDB extending from the 7.3-mile radius to 11.4 miles south of the airport, excluding that airspace within the Michigan City, IN, Valparaiso, IN, and Knox, IN Class E airspace area.

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